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Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Senate, Tuesday, December 11, 1962 at 4:30 p.m. in the Dean's Office.

Members present: Mr. Bartholomew, Mr. Campbell, Dr. Coder, Mrs. Colburn, Mr. Coulson, Mr. Dalton, Dr. Dick, Dr. Kinsinger, Mr. McKee, Miss Rinker, Mr. Slechta, Mr. Spomer, Miss Veed, and Dr. Garwood, Chairman

Also present: Dr. Wood

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, Dr. Garwood.

Proposal from the Committee on Preparation of Teachers. The chairman presented the proposal from the Committee on Preparation of Teachers that the grade index for students applying for Directed Teaching be increased from the present 1.20 overall grade index to 1.25 overall grade index and 1.50 grade index in the major field beginning, September 1, 1965.

This proposal was discussed, and this discussion included the following:

There is a need to raise standards.

Are the best people entering the teaching field?

Would raising the grade index eliminate too many students who wish to become teachers?

Will establishing a grade point of 1.50 penalize students from divisions where the grading is lower; i.e., the average grades in some divisions are as much as a grade point lower than in others.

Are the candidates for teaching well screened? Are they recommended by the division chairmen?

What other qualifications are necessary to enter the teaching program?

Dr. Wood said that the above items were discussed by the Committee on Preparation of Teachers before making the proposal.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Slechta moved that the Senate accept the recommendation of the Committee on Preparation of Teachers that the grade index for students applying for Directed Teaching be increased to 1.25 beginning in September, 1965. Seconded and carried.

RECOMMENDATION: Dr. Dick moved that the Senate approve the 1.50 grade index in the major field beginning September 1, 1965. Seconded and carried.

As it will not be possible for the Senate to meet next Tuesday, December 18, it was decided to meet on Thursday, December 20. The agenda will include a reconsideration of the course, Observation and Participation 57, and the requirements of the new course, English for Foreign Students.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

John D. Garwood, Chairman

Standlee V. Dalton, Secretary

Florence Bodmer, Recorder